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SITUATION IN NATAL IS AGAIN BECOMING ALARMING

Seven Thousand Boers are Nearing Pietermaritzburg and Inhabitants are Fleeing.

WAR OFFICE IS WITHHOLDING NEWS

Joubert's Plan Contemplates Cutting Off British Relief Columns Without Raising Siege of Ladysmith—Buller Now Has 35,000 Men.

LONDON, Nov. 23.—The Daily Mail says: "We are able to confirm the report that orders have been issued to mobilize the sixth division at Aldershot for service in South Africa, or wherever it may be wanted."

DURBAN, Nov. 22.—A dispatch from the Mooi river says the telegraph line was cut Tuesday evening near Highlands station. The dispatch adds that the railroad station is in possession of a large force of Boers encamped near Mitchelson's cutting. The train bound to Estcourt returned. It only got a mile and a half northward of Highland's station. The Natal Stud Company's farm has been raided and 400 blooded horses, valued at 15,000, have been captured.

LONDON, Nov. 22.—The British transport Kildonan Castle, said to be the largest transport in the world, which left Southampton November 4, with 3000 men, their kits, weapons, machine guns, ammunition, balloons, pontoons, wagons, etc., arrived at Cape Town this morning. About 35,000 of Buller's army corps have now arrived. The Transport Nubia, with the first battalion of Scots guards, has sailed from Cape Town for Durban. The transport Carinthia arrived at Cape Town yesterday.

LONDON, Nov. 22.—5 a. m.—Although it is evident that the situation in Natal is again becoming sufficiently alarming, nothing can be officially ascertained to allay public anxiety or curiosity felt regarding the disposition of the reinforcements recently landed at Durban. The war office despatches are confined to a mere recital of a few casualties at Mooi river, which confirm the reports of skirmishes there but give no details as to how the engagements happened.

One correspondent says that 7,000 Boers are within 25 miles of Howick falls, near Pietermaritzburg and that the inhabitants are fleeing to the capital.

Evidently a considerable force of the enemy is now within 20 or 40 miles of Pietermaritzburg.

General Joubert's plan, apparently, is a daring attempt to defeat the British relieving column from Durban in detail, while still attempting the reduction of Ladysmith.

INSPECTING THE HOLLAND.

British Navy will Probably Adopt Her Type of Torpedo Boat.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Captain Chas. T. Otley, R. N. navy attache to her majesty's embassy to the United States came from Washington today for the purpose of inspecting the Holland boat in behalf of his government. For more than two hours Captain Otley looked over the boat. He said:

"It is my intention to recommend to the board of admiralty of the British government that they immediately consider the merits of the Holland with a view to adopting vessels of her type into the British navy."

PARNELL'S HOME SAVED.

Tammany Levies an Assessment on New York Which Yields \$5,000 More Than Required.

NEW YORK, Nov. The Mission of Lord Mayor Daniel Tallon, of Dublin, and John E. Redmond, member of parliament, to this country in the interest of preserving the Parnell home-land in the county of Wicklow, Ireland, has been successful.

Tonight Tammany hall presented to the Lord Mayor with a certified check

A serious attack on Mooi river camp is now hourly expected, with the object of destroying the bridge at Wester.

FIGHTING AT MAFEKING.

Boer Advances Report a Brisk Encounter At Mafeking.

PRETORIA, Nov. 21.—General Snyman, who is outside Mafeking, reports heavy fighting there Monday afternoon. The British brisly fired on the French cannon and the Boer targets. The Boers replied, bombarding their forts with good effect. The loss of the British is unknown. One Boer was wounded.

ASTOUNDING RETURNS.

But Doubtless Nearer the Truth Than the English Estimates.

PRETORIA, Nov. 21.—Official returns of the Transvaal casualties since the outbreak of the war show 90 men killed and 200 wounded.

for \$2,000 to save the Parnell home-land. This was \$5,000 in excess of the amount needed.

PORTLAND'S CONTRIBUTION.

PORTLAND, Nov. 22.—The British residents of Portland at a meeting tonight raised \$500 for the fund for the widows and orphans of British soldiers who are killed in the South African war.

INDIANS ON THE WAR PATH.

OMAHA, Nov. 22.—Special to the Bee from Des Moines, Iowa, says: Four hundred and 50 redskins at Sacred Fox Indian reservation in Tama county are ready to start on the war path with rifles and tomahawks. The trouble grew out of the throwing into jail of an 18 year old Indian girl who had been ordered to go to school, but who left the country.

TO USE MARCONI SYSTEM.

TRENTON, Nov. 22.—Articles of incorporation were filed with the secretary of state today of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company of America with an authorized capital of \$10,000,000.

TRAIN CREWS KILLED.

Heavy Passenger on B. & O. Near Chicago Crashes Into the Rear End of a Freight.

GARRET, Ind., Nov. 22.—The heavy Baltimore & Ohio's limited passenger train, drawn by two locomotives, ran into the rear end of a freight train near McCool, a small station 50 miles out of Chicago, this afternoon. Both passenger engines were ditched and their crews killed.

The freight train was almost a total wreck. Its conductor, Butts and rear brakeman, Hamito, are missing and it is supposed they are under the debris.

A special train has reached here with the injured and the following dead: HENRY BRADFORD, engineer. E. H. SARBBER, engineer. ELMER ARR, fireman. JOHN STINE, fireman. Each of the dead men leaves a family.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR HOBART'S FUNERAL

MASON'S NOT IN CHARGE

Private Service Will Be Held at the Home and Afterwards the Body Will Be Taken to Church Where the Public Will Attend.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—The funeral of the late Garret A Hobart, vice-president of the United States, will take place Saturday.

The morning service at the residence will be attended only by members of Mr. Hobart's family, President McKinley and his cabinet and Mr. Hobart's most intimate friends. At the Church of the Redeemer in Paterson, public service will be held at 2:30 in the afternoon.

The body will not lie in state in the city hall, as was desired by the city authorities, but Friday afternoon, the casket will be open in the library of his home and for 3 hours the public may view the face of the late vice-president.

Four companies of regular soldiers from Governors Island will take part in the funeral ceremonies.

Hobart was a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and a Knight Templar. In reply to inquiries by representatives of various masonic bodies, it has been explained to them that the family deems it best not to have a masonic funeral.

Mr. Hobart, two months ago, when he feared something might happen, named six of his most intimate friends in New Jersey and it is believed that they will act as pall bearers.

BRITISH FLAG HALFMAST.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The British jack over the British embassy was a halfmast today as a mark of respect for the late vice-president. The half masting of the embassy flag attracted considerable attention and was regarded as an unusual mark of consideration to an American official.

NEW YORK MOURNS.

ALBANY, N. Y., Nov. 22.—Governor Roosevelt issued a proclamation today on the death of Vice-President Hobart ordering that flags on all state buildings be kept at half-mast as a mark of respect until after the funeral.

HAS MOHLER RESIGNED.

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 22.—Mr. A. L. Mohler, president of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company, while here yesterday told a friend he had severed his connection with that company and was on his way East to make final arrangements with the Big Four, into whose service he is about to enter. (The Portland Telegram of last night publishes the above dispatch coupled with a statement from one of Mr. Mohler's trusted friends that the reported resignation is false. He said Mr. Mohler would continue in charge of the O. R. & N. in spite of all rumors to the contrary.)

ACTIVE PREPARATIONS FOR HEADING OFF AGUINALDO

It Will Be Hard for Him to Escape the American Forces by Land and by Sea.

YOUNG'S CAVALRY IN HOT PURSUIT

Surrounded by Impenetrable Mountains, With Hostile Natives Ready to Attack Him, and Pressed by Lawton's Columns, His Capture Probable in a Few Days.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The next move of importance in the Philippine campaign is to be made by General Wheaton who will go up the coast by transport to Vigan at the mouth of the Abe river.

This will land his forces far to the north of where Aguinaldo is supposed to be, the intention being to cut off his retreat to the north.

From the military information bureau it is learned that east of the route Aguinaldo is taking, the mountains are inhabited by natives who are not friendly to aguinaldo and will be likely to attack him if he attempts to cross their territory.

There are several little rivers making into harbors from which it is feared Aguinaldo may escape by boat, General Young is watching these ports.

MANILA, Nov. 23.—9 a. m.—News from the pursuit of Aguinaldo is not expected for a day or two. Yesterday a report reached General Lawton by courier from General Young that the people knowing the country think Aguinaldo's destination is Iloilo.

With General Lawton's troops in a position to move toward Bayombong by every road from the south and with impenetrable mountains, peopled by semi-savage tribes behind, Bayombong would be a poor refuge.

It is reported that General Lawton is moving northward from Tayug with infantry to head off Aguinaldo. General Young has only one troop of cavalry and a company of macabees who originally numbered 300.

Aguinaldo is supposed to have had two days' start from Avangay. The transports Newport and Tartar have arrived.

VICTORIA OFF FOR MANILA.

SEATTLE, Nov. 22.—The transport Victoria sailed tonight for Manila with 420 animals and 500 tons of general supplies.

ELDER BEATS THE RECORD. She Has Made the Fastest Round Trip Yet From Manila.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 22.—The record for the round trip to Manila is held by the United States transport George W. Elder which arrived today, having made the round trip in 61 days.

LIPTON IN 1901.

LONDON, Nov. 22.—Sir Thomas Lipton, when questioned today regarding the allegation that he has determined to challenge next year for America's cup with a schooner said:

"I do not intend to challenge next year, but if I live I will certainly challenge in 1901."

BIG FIND.

SANTIAGO, de CUBA, Nov. 22.—Wreckers working on the sunken Spanish armored cruiser Almirante Oquendo yesterday discovered a chest containing \$19,000 in Spanish gold which the Cendoya Company, the firm employing the divers, will retain.

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